

**UHRICHSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Thursday, July 11, 2019**

Council President Mark Haney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL showed the following members present: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Clerk Trisha Addison.

Council President Mark Haney asked for a motion to accept the Council Meeting Minutes from June 27, 2019. Mr. Grandison noted that the Finance Committee's next meeting is July 17, 2019 and it will be corrected. A motion was made by Mr. Cottrell, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

**Mayor Rick Dorland:**

- A couple months ago the City was approached by Bill Walsh and Barry Williams in regard to alley vacation and/or existing roadway issues at Gardner Street area. There was some confusion. He met with Mr. Walsh's representative, Attorney Brett Hillyer, and went over what was to be done and he has no issue with it. To clear up any confusion, he asked Mr. Walsh and Mr. Williams to explain what they are requesting.
- Mr. Walsh had a map showing that he does want to vacate the alley and split it between them. Mr. Williams will be buying acreage from him. He wants to keep two one acre lots out front and one in the rear of AutoZone. Not asking to build a road, just asking for it to be open. It can just be a private drive. They just want to get the lot split complete so they can transfer what's under contract as well as market the acreage for the benefit of the City. The AutoZone alone will bring in \$21,000.00 in tax revenue for the City. Hoping to bring in three other properties. They do not want any help from the City with the road. JJ said it looks fine to him as long as the Mayor has looked into it. The first step is for Council to pass a Motion indicating that the area is no longer needed for City purposes. If that passes Council can consider the Ordinance, the area will be vacated and a survey will be done, deed prepared, and they will take care of all costs. A Motion that the property was no longer need for City purposes was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes.
- Met with a representative from the Uhrichsville Eagles regarding renovations at the Clay Museum. Fox Builders will be doing the work for \$4,000.00. The work is to begin next week.
- Asked for Council's authorization to enter into an agreement with OPWC to begin our phase of the Eastport Phase II project. JJ reviewed and a Resolution has been presented to Council. A Motion Authorizing the Mayor to enter into the agreement was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes.

**City Services Director:**

- No report.

**Law Director James J. Ong:**

- Presented Council with a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Uhrichsville and Local 1958, Uhrichsville Chapter, Ohio, Council 8 of the American Federation of the State,

County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIP that memorializes the agreement effective January 1, 2019 that employees on stand-by notice during the season as scheduled shall receive \$30 per day for Saturday and Sunday stand-by. Also presented Council with a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Uhrichsville and Local 1958, Uhrichsville Chapter, Ohio, Council 8 of the American Federation of the State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIP that memorializes the agreement that effective January 1, 2019 Uhrichsville shall reimburse the members of Union the amount of \$1,000.00 per year for the purchase of work clothes and foul weather gear. That annual allowance could be used to cover the cell phone bills of the members of the Union, provided they supply receipts. A Motion to sign both Memorandums of Understanding as presented by made by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.

- Presented Council with a Cooperation Agreement between the City of Uhrichsville and Friends of the Twin City Parks, Trails & Waterways. A Motion to approve signature of the Cooperation Agreement was made by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes.
- Presented Council with a Lease of Uhrichsville Clay Museum for their review. There was discussion and Mayor suggested that it be assigned to a committee and meet with Mrs. Zucal and the Clay Museum Board. Mr. Haney will assign it to Public Works and asked the Mayor to get ahold of Mrs. Zucal to meet with them.

**Auditor, Julie Pearch:**

- Nothing to report.

**Treasurer, Bob Michels:**

- Absent.

**Correspondence:**

- Received a brochure from Williams reminding to call 811 before you dig.

**Committee Reports**

**Mrs. Davis** – Thanked Mr. Harmon for handling the recognition while she was on vacation.

**Mr. Cottrell**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Warner**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – Read the report from the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting on July 8, 2019 and a copy is available at the Clerk's office upon request. The next Parks and Recreation Committee meeting will be August 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. A motion to approve the report as presented was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes.

**Mr. Miller** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Baker**- Nothing to report.

**Mr. Grandison** – Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

**Mrs. Davis** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Cottrell** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Warner** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Miller** - Nothing to report.

**Mr. Baker** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Grandison** – The next Finance Committee meeting will be July 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

### **New Business**

**Mrs. Davis** – Disappointed that more residents don't take pride in their property and keep them cleaned up.

**Mr. Cottrell** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Warner** – Nothing to report.

**Mr. Harmon** – Reported that on Thursday, May 23, he traveled to the Statehouse in Columbus to submit interested party testimony on the proposed State Budget in front of the Ohio Senate Finance Committee. Earlier in the year, Governor DeWine had published his proposed budget with an increase in the local government fund. In fiscal year 2020, he proposed a 9.1% increase and a 1.9% increase in fiscal year 2021 totaling a 10% increase after two fiscal years. Fortunately, the Ohio House of Representatives retained this increase in the local government fund for the House version of the budget and he expressed his support for this provision in the budget. Although he doesn't feel his testimony struck a chord with Ohio lawmakers, he is disappointed that the Senate has unveiled their version of the budget with only a 1.68% local government fund increase for both fiscal years 2020 and 2021. While he is glad that the local government fund is not being cut even further than in previous years, he is supportive of the small increase and he does feel that although this is a small step in the right direction, this is far from perfect. He believes this will only be perfected when full funding is restored to pre-recession levels. After the Senate introduced their version of the budget, lawmakers in both the House and Senate have now entered into conference committee to negotiate what amendments will remain in the final version of the budget. The final version of the budget was supposed to be passed in both houses by June 30<sup>th</sup> as required by the Ohio Constitution. Furthermore, the Senate failed to do so which lead to both the House and Senate having to pass a 17 day budget extension of the current budget. While lawmakers continue to work towards a new budget, he hopes they will consider a fair and modest increase for the local government fund.

**Mr. Miller** – Asked Mayor Dorland if the drains on S. Water Street will be repaired when the paving is done, and he said it is on the list.

**Mr. Baker** – Reported for the month of June the calls were as follows: 606-police, 46-fire, and 12-EMS. A complete copy is available at the Mayor's office. Also, Walter Drane is now called American Legal Publishing.

**Mr. Grandison** – Nothing to report.

### **Visitors:**

Amy Myers – observing. Asked if the Clay Museum paid anything now and they do not, but in the lease, they will pay a nominal amount and it is up to Council to agree what they should pay. Asked for date of next Ambulance Meeting and it will be set for first of August.

Michael Huff, 307 Oak Street – observing.

Matt Fox, 1004 Eastport Avenue. Concerned about traffic on Eastport Avenue during construction. There was a lengthy discussion about the issue. The Mayor suggested closing the residents only. The Mayor will get with Jeff about barricading it off.

Chuck Marty, 1009 Maple Avenue – observing.

Brandon Patterson, 636 N. Uhrich Street - observing

Shirley Miller – Oak Street. Asked about cleaning out the creek and was referred to the Twin City Water and Sewer District.

Chief Edward – Thanked Council and administration. The new medic arrived today and is ready to go.

Chief Beal – Has an officer on light duty and another officer to be replaced soon. Looking to start hiring soon. We currently have two on the test list.

**ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

**ORDINANCE 7-19  
AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UHRICHVILLE, OHIO**

**Third Reading**

A motion to adopt the Ordinance was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Warner. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes.

**ORDINANCE 8-19  
AN ORDINANCE VACATING A CERTAIN STREET BETWEEN  
LOTS 2101, 2028 AND LOTS 2032 & 2031 IN THE  
CITY OF UHRICHVILLE, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

A motion to suspend the Ordinance was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Baker. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes, Mr. Warner-yes.

A motion to adopt the Ordinance was made by Mr. Grandison, seconded by Mr. Harmon. ROLL CALL: Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Harmon-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes; Mr. Warner-yes.

**RESOLUTION 1859  
A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT AND  
REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF THE CITY OF UHRICHVILLE ON BEHALF  
OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE "BORROWER")  
TO REIMBURSE THE STORM SEWER FUND  
FOR THE EASTPORT AVENUE PROJECT PHASE II WITH THE PROCEEDS  
OF TAX EXEMPT DEBT OF THE STATE OF OHIO**

A motion to adopt the Resolution was made by Mr. Harmon, seconded by Mr. Davis. ROLL CALL: Mr. Harmon-yes; Mrs. Davis-yes; Mr. Warner-yes; Mr. Cottrell-yes; Mr. Grandison-yes; Mr. Baker-yes; Mr. Miller-yes.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:**

Public Works Committee to review the Clay Museum lease and coordinate with the Mayor, Mrs. Zucal and the Law Director.

**Other Discussions:**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

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Trisha Addison  
Clerk of Council

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Mark Haney  
Council President